

REMARKS

Claims 1-33 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 30-33 are added.

It is noted that the claim amendments are made only for more particularly pointing out the invention, and not for distinguishing the invention over the prior art, narrowing the claims or for any statutory requirements of patentability. Further, Applicants specifically state that no amendment to any claim herein should be construed as a disclaimer of any interest in or right to an equivalent of any element or feature of the amended claim.

None of the applied references, whether considered alone or in combination, discloses or suggests the features recited in new claims 30-33.

III. Formal Matters and Conclusion

A. Information Disclosure Statement

Applicants respectfully request acknowledgement of receipt and consideration of the references submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement on May 7, 2007.

B. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that claims 1-33, all the claims presently pending in the application, are patentably distinct over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the above application to issue at the earliest possible time.

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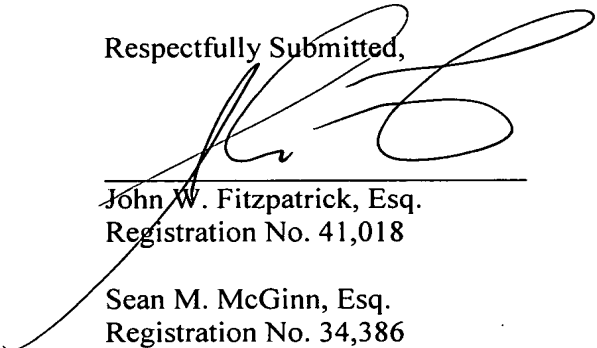
Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

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